

isting law. On revision the Legislature need only make what amendments are found to be necessary and proper. In regard to expenses of equipment, the article does not question or disturb any arrangements or contracts that have been entered into. It provides that the Legislature shall make suitable provision for the organization, equipment and effectual encouragement of the volunteer corps. That confers the authority and imposes the duty, in general terms, and the committee think the constitution ought not to make a more specific provision. The military committee have concluded, therefore, after full consideration, not to propose any change in the article as it passed to the third reading.

The amendment was adopted and the bill passed, by yeas 66, nays 2—Messrs. Dent and Kilbourn.

The article headed "city of Baltimore" was taken up on its third reading, and certain verbal amendments reported by the committee on revision and compilation were agreed to.

Mr. Kilbourn said it had been provided that the constitution should go into effect on the 5th of October, and the election for municipal officers in Baltimore was set in this article for the second Wednesday of that month, and he thought a sufficient time would not be afforded to give the proper election notices.

Mr. Jones said the act of the last Assembly provided that no election should be invalidated because of a failure to give sufficient notice.

Mr. Dobbin thought that to save time the article had better be passed now, and if necessity should arise for changing the day of election, it could be done when the constitution as a whole came up for final revision.

Mr. Kilbourn was entirely in favor of the article, but could not vote for it with this manifest inconsistency.

The bill was then rejected by 54 yeas to 11 nays—Messrs. Ford, Hayden, Henderson, Horsey of Somerset, Jamison, Kilbourn, Marbury, McKaig, Stoddert, Walsh and Wilkinson.

Mr. Vansant gave notice that he should, at the proper time, move a reconsideration.